

- M is a metal atom of group IIIb, IVb, Vb or VIb of the Periodic Table of the Elements,
- <u>X</u> is a heteroatom or a hydrocarbon group having 1-40 carbon atoms,
- X' is a hydrocarbon group having 1-40 carbon atoms.
- 23. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 22, wherein the radicals L are identical or different and are each a substituted cyclopentadienyl group.
- 24. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 22, wherein the radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge.
- 25. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 22, wherein n is 2 when M is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements.
- 26. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 22, wherein
- M is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements, n is equal to 2,
- L are identical or different and are each a substituted cyclopentadienyl group, where two radicals L are optionally linked to one another via a bridge Z and
- \underline{Z} is CR^2R^3 or SiR^2R^3 or a unit $Si-(CR^2R^3)_x$ -Si which links two fragments $\underline{L}_uMXX'A-R^1_m$ with one another, where x is an integer from 0 to 10,



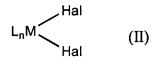
- X and X' together form a three-membered to five-membered hydrocarbon chain which can be saturated or unsaturated and are unsubstituted or substituted by one or more C_1 - C_{20} -hydrocarbon radicals.
- R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -fluoralkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -aryloxy group, a C_2 - C_{10} -alkenyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -alkylaryl group, a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group, or R^2 and R^3 together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R^2 and R^3 are optionally bonded to L.
- 27. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 22, wherein
- M is zirconium,
- \underline{n} is equal to 2,
- L are identical or different and are each a substituted cyclopentadienyl group, where two radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge Z, where Z is CR²R³ or SiR²R³ and

 R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -fluoralkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -fluoroaryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -aryloxy group, a C_2 - C_{10} -alkenyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group, or R^2 and R^3 together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R^2 and R^3 are optionally bonded to L_8



X and X' together form an unsaturated four-membered hydrocarbon chain whose hydrogen atoms are optionally replaced by C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl groups.

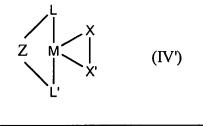
28. A process for preparing the compound as claimed in claim 22, which comprises reacting a compound of the formula II



with a compound of the formula III

and reacting the reaction product with a compound of the formula AR_{m}^{1} , where L, n, M, X and X' in the formulae II and III are defined for the formula IV and Hal is a halogen atom.

29. A transition metal compound of the formula IV'





where where

L and L' are identical or different and are each a π ligand or an electron donor,

M is a metal atom of group IIIb, IVb, Vb or VIb of the Periodic Table of the Elements,

<u>X</u> is a heteroatom or a hydrocarbon group having 1-40 carbon atoms,

X' is a hydrocarbon group having 1-40 carbon atoms,

 \underline{Z} is

$$-- O - - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ R^3 \end{matrix}, \quad - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix}, \quad - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix}, \quad - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix}, \quad - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix}, \quad - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix}, \quad - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix}, \quad - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \end{matrix}, \quad - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \\ \end{matrix}, \quad - \begin{matrix} R^2 \\ \end{matrix}, \quad$$



=BR₂, -AIR², -Ge-, -O-, -S-, =SO, =SO₂, -NR₂, =CO, =PR² or =P(O)R², where R² and R³ are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_1 -fluoroalkyl group, a C_1 - C_1 -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_1 -aryl group, a C_6 - C_1 -fluoroaryl group, a C_6 - C_1 -aryloxy group, a C_2 - C_1 -alkenyl group, a C_3 - C_4 -arylalkyl group, a C_7 - C_4 -arylalkenyl group and x is a number from zero to 18, or R² and R³ together with the atoms-connecting them form one or more rings and R² or/and R³ can be bonded to L and M² is silicon, germanium or tin.

- 30. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 29, wherein the radicals L are identical or different and are each an unsubstituted or substituted cylclopentadienyl group.
- 31. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 29, wherein the radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge.
- 32. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 29, wherein n is 2 when M is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements.
- 33. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 29, wherein
- <u>M</u> is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements, n is equal to 2,
- L are identical or different and are each a substituted or unsubstituted cyclopentadienyl group, where two radicals L are optionally linked to one another via a bridge Z and



- \underline{Z} is CR^2R^3 or SiR^2R^3 or a unit $Si-(CR^2R^3)_x$ -Si which links two fragments $\underline{L}_uM^tXX'A-R^1_m$ with one another, where x is an integer from 0 to 10,
 - X and X' together form a three-membered to five-membered hydrocarbon chain which can be saturated or unsaturated and are unsubstituted or substituted by one or more C_1 - C_{20} -hydrocarbon radicals,

 R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -fluoralkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -aryloxy group, a C_2 - C_{10} -alkenyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -alkylaryl group, a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group, or R^2 and R^3 together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R^2 and R^3 are optionally bonded to L.

- 34. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 29, wherein
- M is zirconium,
- \underline{n} is 2,
- L are identical or different and are each a substituted cyclopentadienyl group, where two radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge Z, where Z is CR²R³ or SiR²R³,

 R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -fluoralkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -fluoroaryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -aryloxy group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} - C_{40

alkylaryl group, a C₈-C₄₀-arylalkenyl group, or R² and R³ together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R² and R³ are optionally bonded to L.

X and X' together form an unsaturated four-membered hydrocarbon chain whose hydrogen atoms are optionally replaced by C₁-C₂₀-alkyl groups.

A transition metal compound of the formula IV <u>35.</u>

$$L_n M \stackrel{X}{\swarrow}_{X'}$$
 (IV)

wherein

- are different if n is 2, 3 or 4, and are each a π ligand or electron donor, L
- is equal to 1, 2, 3, or 4, <u>n</u>
- is a metal atom of group IIIb, IVb, Vb or VIb of the Periodic Table of the Elements, <u>M</u>
- is a heteroatom or a hydrocarbon group having 1-40 carbon atoms, <u>X</u>
- is a hydrocarbon group having 1-40 carbon atoms. <u>X'</u>
- The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 35, wherein the radicals L are different <u>36.</u> and are each an unsubstituted or substituted cylclopentadienyl group.



- 37. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 35, wherein the radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge.
- The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 35, wherein n is 2 when M is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements.
- 39. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 35, wherein
- M is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements, n is equal to 2,
- L are different and are each a substituted or unsubstituted cyclopentadienyl group, where two radicals L are optionally linked to one another via a bridge Z and
- \underline{Z} is CR^2R^3 or SiR^2R^3 or a unit $Si-(CR^2R^3)_x$ -Si which links two fragments $L_uM^tXX'A-R^1_m$ with one another, where x is an integer from 0 to 10,

X and X' together form a three-membered to five-membered hydrocarbon chain which can be saturated or unsaturated and are unsubstituted or substituted by one or more C_1 - C_{20} -hydrocarbon radicals,

 R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -fluoralkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -aryloxy group, a C_2 - C_{10} -alkenyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -alkylaryl group, a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group, or R^2 and R^3 together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R^2 and R^3 are optionally bonded to L.

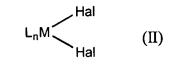


- 40. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 35, wherein
- M is zirconium,
- \underline{n} is 2,
- <u>L</u> are different and are each a substituted cyclopentadienyl group, where two radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge Z, where Z is CR^2R^3 or SiR^2R^3 and

 R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -fluoralkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -fluoroaryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -aryloxy group, a C_2 - C_{10} -alkenyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -alkylaryl group, a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group, or R^2 and R^3 together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R^2 and R^3 are optionally bonded to L.

X and X' together form an unsaturated four-membered hydrocarbon chain whose hydrogen atoms are optionally replaced by C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl groups.

41. A process for preparing the compound as claimed in claim 35, which comprises reacting a compound of the formula II



with a compound of the formula III

and reacting the reaction product with a compound of the formula AR¹_m, where L, n, M, X and X' in the formulae II and III are defined for the formula IV,

Hal is a halogen atom.

42. A transition metal compound of the formula IV

$$L_n M < \bigvee_{X'}^{X}$$
 (IV)

wherein

- <u>L</u> are identical or different and are each a π ligand or electron donor.
- <u>n</u> is equal to 1, 2, 3, or 4,
- M is a metal atom of group IIIb, IVb, Vb or VIb of the Periodic Table of the Elements,
- <u>X</u> is a heteroatom, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -alkylaryl group or a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group,
- X' or a hydrocarbon group having 1-40 carbon atoms.



- 43. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 42, wherein the radicals L are different and are each an unsubstituted or substituted cylclopentadienyl group.
- 44. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 42, wherein the radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge.
- The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 42, wherein n is 2 when M is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements.
- 46. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 42, wherein
- M is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements, n is equal to 2,
- <u>L</u> are different and are each a substituted or unsubstituted cyclopentadienyl group, where two radicals L are optionally linked to one another via a bridge Z and
- \underline{Z} is CR^2R^3 or SiR^2R^3 or a unit $Si-(CR^2R^3)_x$ -Si which links two fragments $L_uM^tXX^*A-R^1_m$ with one another, where x is an integer from 0 to 10,

X and X' together form a three-membered or five-membered hydrocarbon chain which can be saturated or unsaturated and are unsubstituted or substituted by one or more C_1 - C_{20} -hydrocarbon radicals.

 R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_{1-1} C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_{1-10} -fluoralkyl group, a C_{1-10} -alkoxy group, a C_{1-10} -aryloxy group, a C_{1-10} -alkenyl group, a C_{1-10} -arylakyl group, a C_{1-10



group, a C_7 - C_{40} -alkylaryl group, a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group, or R^2 and R^3 together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R^2 and R^3 are optionally bonded to L.

- 47. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 42, wherein
- M is zirconium,
- \underline{n} is 2,
- L are different and are each a substituted cyclopentadienyl group, where two radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge Z, where Z is CR²R³ or SiR²R³ and

 R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -fluoralkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -fluoroaryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -aryloxy group, a C_2 - C_{10} -alkenyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group, or R^2 and R^3 together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R^2 and R^3 are optionally bonded to L.

ZrCH₂C (CH₃) C (CH₃) CH₂;



48. A compound selected from the group consisting of

Bis (methylcyclopentadienyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Bis (n-butyl-cyclopentadienyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2; BisindenylZrCH2CHCHCH2; (tert.butylamido)dimethyl(tetramethyl-η5-cyclopentadienyl)silan-Zr+CH2CHCHCH2; Bis (2-methylbenzoindenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-indenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2; DimethylsilandiylbisindenylZr+CH2CHCHCH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methylbenzoindenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Dimethylsilandiyl(2-methylbenzoindenyl)(2-methyl-indenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Dimethylsilandiyl(2-methylbenzoindenyl)(2-methyl-4-phenylindenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Dimethylsilandiyl(2-methlindenyl)(4-phenylindenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4,6-diisopropyl-indenyl)Zr+ CH2CHCHCH2; Dimethylsilaniylbis(2-methyl-4-naphtyl-indenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Isopropyliden(cyclopentadienyl)(fluorenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Isopropyliden(cyclopentadienyl)(indenyl)ZrCH2CHCH2; [4- $(\eta^5$ -Cyclopentadienyl)-4,7,7-trimethyl- $(\eta^5$ -4.5.6.7-tetrahydroindeny1) ZrCH2CHCHCH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-indenyl)ZrOCH2CH2CH2; DimethylsilandiylbisindenylZrOCH2CH2CH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methylbenzoindenyl)ZrOCH2CH2CH2; Dimethylsilandiyl(2-methylbenzoindenyl)(2-methyl-indenyl) ZrOCH2CH2CH2; Dimethylsilandiyl (2-methylbenzoindenyl) (2-methyl-4-phenylindenyl) ZroCH2CH2CH2; Dimethylsilandiyl(2-methlindenyl)(4-phenylindenyl)ZrOCH2CH2CH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)ZrOCH2CH2CH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4,6-diisopropyl-indenyl) ZrOCH2CH2CH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-indenyl)ZrCH2C(CH3)C(CH3)CH2; DimethylsilandiylbisindenylZrCH2C(CH3)C(CH3)CH2; Dimethylsilandiylbis (2-methylbenzoindenyl) Zr+CH2C(CH3)C(CH3)CH2; Dimethylsilandiyl (2-methylbenzoindenyl) (2-methyl-indenyl) ZrCH2C (CH3) C (CH3) CH2; Dimethylsilandiyl(2-methylbenzoindenyl)(2-methyl-4-phenylindenyl)



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Dimethylsilandiyl(2-methlindenyl)(4-phenylindenyl)
     ZrCH2C (CH3) C (CH3) CH2;
     Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)
     ZrCH<sub>2</sub>C (CH<sub>3</sub>) C (CH<sub>3</sub>) CH<sub>2</sub>;
     Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4,6-diisopropyl-indenyl)
     ZrCH2C (CH3) C (CH3) CH2;
     Dimethylsilaniylbis(2-methyl-4-naphtyl-indenyl)
     ZrCH<sub>2</sub>C (CH<sub>3</sub>) C (CH<sub>3</sub>) CH<sub>2</sub>;
     Methylphenylmethylen-(fluorenyl)(cyclopentadienyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
     Diphenylmethylen-(fluorenyl)(cyclopentadienyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
     Isopropyliden-(3-methylcyclopentadienyl)(fluorenyl)
     ZrCH2CHCHCH2B-(C6F5)3;
     Dimethylsilandiyl-(3-tert.-Butylcyclopentadienyl)(fluorenyl)
     ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
     Diphenylsilandiyl-(3-(trimethylsilyl)cyclopentadienyl)(fluorenyl)
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     Phenylmethylsilandiylbis(e-methyl-indenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
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     PhenylmethylsilandiylbisindenylZrCH2CHCHCH2;
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     Phenylmethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4,5-benzoindenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
Phenylmethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4,5-benzoindenyl)(2-methyl
     -indenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2
     Phenylmethylsilandiyl (2-methyl-4,5-benzoindenyl) (2-methyl-4
-phenylindenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
     Phenylmethylsilaniyl (2-methylindenyl) (4-phenylindenyl)
     ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
     Phenylmethylsilandiylbis (2-methyl-4-phenyl-indenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
     Phenylmethylsilandiylbis(2-ethyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
     Phenylmethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4,6-diisopropyl-indenyl)
     ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
     Phenylmethylsilandiylbis(2-methyl-4-naphtyl-indenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
    Ethylenbis (2-methyl-indenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
    EthylenbisindenylZrCH2CHCHCH2;
    Ehtylenbis (2-methyl-4,5-benzoindenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
    Ethylen (2-methyl-4,5-benzoindenyl) (2-methyl-indenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
    Ethylen(2-methyl-4,5-benzoindenyl)(2-methyl-4-phenylindenyl)
    ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
    Ethylen(2-methylindenyl)(4-phenylindenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
    Ethylenbis (2-methyl-4,5-benzoindenyl) ZrCH2CHCH2;
    Ethylenbis (2-methyl-4-phenyl-indenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
    Ethylenbis(2-methyl-4,6-diisopropyl-indenyl)ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
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Ethylenbis (2-methyl-4-naphtyl-indenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
Ethylenbis (2-ethyl-4-phenyl-indenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
Ethylenbis (2-ethyl-4,6-diisopropyl-indenyl) ZrCH2CHCH2;
Ethylenbis (2-ethyl-4-naphtyl-indenyl) ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
Dimethylsilandiylbis(2-ethyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)ZrCH2CHCH2;
Dimethylsilandiylbis(2,3,5-trimethylcyclopentadienyl)
ZrCH2CHCHCH2;
1,6-{Bis[methylsilyl-bis(2-methyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)Zr+CH2CHCHCH2
B^-(C_6F_5)_3] hexan;
1,6-{Bis(methylsilyl-bis(2-ethyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)
Zr+CH2CHCHCH2B-(C6F5)3] } hexan;
1,6-{Bis[methylsilyl-bis(2-methyl-4-naphtyl-indenyl)Zr+CH2CHCH2
B^-(C_6F_5)_3] hexan;
1,6-{Bis[methylsily1-bis(2-methyl-4,5-benzoindenyl)Zr+CH2CHCHCH2
B^-(C_6F_5)_3} hexan;
1,6-{Bis[methylsilyl-(2-methyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)(2-methyl-inde-
nyl) Zr+CH2CHCHCH2B-(C6F5) 3] } hexan;
1,2-{Bis (methylsily1-bis(2-methyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)Zr+CH2CHCH2
B-(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>3</sub>]}ethan;
1,2-{Bis[methylsilyl-bis(2-ethyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)Zr+CH2CHCHCH2
B^-(C_6F_5)_3} ethan;
1,2-{Bis[methylsilyl-bis(2-methyl-4-naphtyl-indenyl)Zr+CH2CHCHCH2
B-(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>3</sub>]}ethan;
1,2-{Bis[methylsily1-bis(2-methyl-4,5-benzoindenyl)Zr+CH2CHCHCH2
B-(C6F5)3]}ethan;and
1,2-{Bis[methylsilyl-(2-methyl-4-phenyl-indenyl)(2-methyl-inde-
nyl) Zr+CH2CHCHCH2B-(C6F5) 3] ethan.
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49. A transition metal compound of the formula IV

$$L_nM < \bigvee_{X'}^X$$
 (IV)

wherein

- <u>L</u> are identical or different and are each a π ligand or electron donor,
- <u>n</u> is equal to 1, 2, 3, or 4,
- M is a metal atom of group IIIb, IVb, Vb or VIb of the Periodic Table of the Elements,
- <u>X</u> is a heteroatom or a hydrocarbon group having 1-40 carbon atoms,
- X' is a hydrocarbon group having 1-40 carbon atoms,

with the proviso that at least on L is a substituted or unsubstituted indenyl.

- 50. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 49, wherein the radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge.
- 51. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 49, wherein n is 2 when M is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements.
- 52. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 49, wherein
- is a metal atom of group IVb of the Periodic Table of the Elements, n is equal to 2, where two radicals L are optionally linked to one another via a bridge Z and



 \underline{Z} is CR^2R^3 or SiR^2R^3 or a unit $Si-(CR^2R^3)_x$ -Si which links two fragments $\underline{L}_uM^tXX^*A-R^1_m$ with one another, where x is an integer from 0 to 10,

 R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -fluoralkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -aryloxy group, a C_2 - C_{10} -alkenyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -alkylaryl group, a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group, or R^2 and R^3 together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R^2 and R^3 are optionally bonded to L.

- 53. The transition metal compound as claimed in claim 49, wherein
- M is zirconium,
- \underline{n} is 2,

where two radicals L are linked to one another via a bridge Z, wherein

Z is CR²R³ or SiR²R³ and

 R^2 and R^3 are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a C_1 - C_{20} -alkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -fluoroalkyl group, a C_1 - C_{10} -alkoxy group, a C_6 - C_{14} -aryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -fluoroaryl group, a C_6 - C_{10} -aryloxy group, a C_2 - C_{10} -alkenyl group, a C_7 - C_{40} -arylalkyl group, a C_8 - C_{40} -arylalkenyl group, or R^2 and R^3 together with the atoms connected them form one or more rings, and R^2 and R^3 are optionally bonded to L. - -